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For: MOLDING MATERIAL, INNER MATERIAL USING THE  
SAME, AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

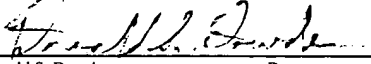
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT**

This is a response to the Office Action mailed October 30, 2001. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.